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In re Application of :
Glover :
Application No. 10/027,252 :
Filed: December 21, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. G-166 :
For: GLIDING DOOR, LATCH MECHANISM
AND METHOD

This is a decision on the reconsideration petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 9, 2004 via facsimile, to revive the above-identified application.

This application was filed on December 21, 2001. On January 23, 2002, the Office mailed a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (Notice), setting forth a 2 month extendable period to submit the basic filing fee, an executed oath/declaration, a surcharge for their late filing, and substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84. The Office did not receive a timely reply. Thus, this application became technically abandoned on March 24, 2002. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on November 24, 2003.

Petitioner has submitted (1) a proper reply in the form of the basic filing fee, an executed declaration, a surcharge for their late filing, and substitute drawing figures, (2) the petition fee in full, and (3) an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the January 23, 2002 Notice. The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

After the mailing of this decision, the application file will be returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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